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The Hon. John Oliver, Premier of British Columbia, who is now in Ottawa, has succeeded in convincing gir Joseph Flavelle, execettive
head of the Imperial Munitions Board in Canada, that British Colum. bia has facilities abundantly in material and inadequately only in
labor for the construction of any number of first-class wooden vessel of the standard type. In other words the decision of the Board to close its programme for wooden ship construction in this Province, it
not altogether rescinded, has now been so materially modifed as to not artogether rescinded, has now been so materialy modiined as to placed with British Columbia yards. With what may be waken as
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VICTORIA DAILY TIMES, FRIDAY, MAY 10, 1918

Mr. Lloyd George's complete refutation of the
ens. aecusations of Major-General Maurice was quite
to be expected. Surely nobody Imagined that to be expected. Surely nobody magined that
either the Prime Minister or Mr. Bonar Law would have made the statements challenged by Mauriee without first having obtained the information con-
trined in them from an authoritative source. That tained in them from an authoritative source. .That
soirce, of course, would be the War Offiee, and the source, of course, would be the War offiee, and the
Prime Minister diseloses the interesting faet that his assertion that the combatant strength of the British army in January, 1918, was greater than
it was in January, 1917, was based npon a report from Major-General Maurice's own branch, and was repeated in identically the same form by the General himself a. Pew days after Mr. Loyd
Georre's speech. He showed, also, that the extension of the British front was the result of strong pressure from France, that it was arranged by Haig and Petain on the basis of a compromise pro-
posed by the military members of the Allied War posed by the military members of the Allied War
Council and that, therefore, it had not been forced Council and that, therefore, it had not been foreed
by the British Government against the wishes of Field-Marshal Haig. He pointed out, too, that although Major-General Maurice had been in daily cousultation with him and the War Cabinet after
he (the Premier) had made the statements now he (the Premier) had made the statements now to them as inaceurate. It was only after Maurice had been superseded in his position that he de-
clared them to be inaceurate, and this was done in atetter to the press.
But no matter what' Mr. Lloyd George may
prove, the attecks upon him will continue, for to prove, the attaeks upon hery large extent they are the children of a hos-
a very
tility which goes down to fundamentals. He is regarded by many of his assailants as more of an enemy to thenr ideas and privilgges than Germany
is, and the momentous developments in Franee are is, and the momentous developments in Franee are
iot going to divert them from their pet preoceupation. As for Major.General Maurice, his action in starting a controversy on so flimsy a foundation at this eritical juneture, when the preservation of the
morale and discippine of the army is of such vital moment, is exceedingly foolish, to say the least, although not surprisingly so when we remember that amazing interviem in which he asked, "where
are the reserves, where is Blucher ${ }^{4}$ "and for whieh he was dismissed. We presume he will be duly diseippinea, If he had been a French or hermaik tried to create dissension by making groundless charges against the Government in the press he would have been very promptly and drastieally dealt with by the military authorities.

## over halif a million.

The poliey of belittling the war effort of the United States continues in operation generally throughont Germany, although a few writers like
Maximilian flarden and Captain Persiss and news Maximitian Harden and Captain Persius, and newspapers ike The Beriner Tageblatt, The Frankfur
ter Zeitung and The Vorwaert, warn the publie not to underestimate the power of the rublie There is no doubt, however, that a very large pro
portion of the German people believe that the Portion of he German peoppe benueve hassistance to the Allies, a belief due to their inability to dis tinguish between what is happening and what they want to happen, and to do their own thinking The tendeney of Germans to self-deeeption in re gard to the issues and developpments of the war is a elear symptom of the megalomania with which
the German Empire in the mass is afflicted, and the tenaeity with which the habit has elung to then in spite of disillusionment after disillusionment shows how deeply Prum
in the German mind.
The United States Secretary for War stated in few days ago that there were more than 500,000 American soluiers that the toal is considerably larger. common knowledge that sinee the commencement of the German offensive the number of troops which erossed the Atlantie for France averaged be tween 100,000 and 150,000 per month. A mueh larger proportion is expected to cross this month lor there has been a substantial inerease in the tonnage for transport. It is conservatively estimated vill be 1,5000000 American soldiers in France. By July this summer the number in the field and in camps on
$2,298,000$.
From now on the number of American troops which will land in France wi. be greater than the monthly permanent casualties suffered by the Alhes in opposis withstanaing to volere eommand of General Foreb will erow intend of shrink, for not only will the American millions be drawn upon in everin

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 The German military authorities were compelledswallow their tary effort of the British Empire not very long after they uttered them. They are going to pass through
an equally uncomfortable experience at the hands of our big neighbor whose determination and en
ergy are further stimulated by every fresh sne from Berlin. And there is nothing the Huns eai do that ean materially impair the eflorts of the re-
public. Within a few weeks the ofbequies of their submarine cempaign weill be celebrated of their the only weapon they will have left for an attack
the trand the trans-Atlantie communications will be their
navy and that would be annihilated if it put to sea.
the value of Unity,

The light thrown by Mr. Lloyd Geerge upon the British front in France shows how neeessary was the establishment of unity of command. Th
military authorities of Britain and France ap proached this questions like two Governments n gotiating a treaty, the two fronts being as distinct
from one another as were the nations they represented, and what finally was done was on the basis of compromise. Looking baek upon those conditions, in the light of the British Premier's revel tions, it must be admitted that they presented considerable justification for Berlin's expectation of serious frietion among the Allies on the West Front, as well as an excellent opportunity for Ger man propaganda with that object in view. Hence the establishment of unity of command from the North Sea to the Adriatic in itself was equivalent to a serious reverse for the enemy. There cannot now be any debate or controversy, with all its dangerous possibilities, as between fronts on the En tente side, for there is now only one front, apd al
the Allies are equally responsible for the protec

## OSTEND BLOCKED

When The Frankfurter Zeitung warned the German Admiralty that the echief significance of
the reeent British naval coup against the German bases on the Belvien cosat lay in the do hat the attacking forees were able to penetrate to points so strongly guarded, it spoke by the book. Last night Ostend was attacked by the British after ing to the Admiralty report to-day, the harbor has ruiser Vinuely closed by the simking on the chan nel which escaped the sealing-up process in the previous expedition.
In he first raid, it will be recalled, five eonerete landing party, wisited Zeebrugge and ostend with he object of sealing them up and making them aseless as submarine bases. The Zeebrugge job was completely suecessful. A part of the moleawas on it were dismantled by the landing party from the Vindietive while the Bruges Zeebrugge canal was bloeked by two of the old ships which were sunk in its entrance. The attack was not as sue cessfnl at Ostend and one channel appears to have escaped. It was into this that the Vindietive was driven last night.
The result of these two andacious expeditions is that the Belgian coast will cease to be an effective is not for the remainder of the war. But, as The Frankfurter Zeitung no doubt will repeat, the inident again shows that the British navy is able to enetrate to the bases on the Belgian coast upon hree years of industry in an effort to make them mpregnable. The success of the first raid was sure indication that there would be a second and the equally gratifying resnlt of the second fore


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